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Letter dated 11 February 1999 from the Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I should like to inform you that the Government of Senegal proposes to host in Senegal the fourth session of the World Youth Forum of the United Nations System.

As you know, the Government of Senegal has always paid special attention to the problems of youth, and the Senegalese Head of State has made youth a top priority of his current term of office.

The National Youth Council of Senegal, an organization which represents all facets of Senegalese youth, played an active role at the third session of the Forum, which was held in Braga, Portugal, from 2 to 7 August 1998. It contributed a great deal to the adoption of the Braga Plan of Action for youth, which it has begun to implement at the national, regional and international levels, in cooperation and synergy with sister organizations from Africa and the rest of the world.

Holding the fourth session of the World Youth Forum of the United Nations System in Africa, then, would be doing a great honour to the youth of Africa and to their struggle for African development with peace.

I should therefore be grateful for any efforts you can make to bring this matter to the attention of Member States and the relevant organizations of the United Nations system, and also to circulate this letter as a document of the General Assembly and of the Economic and Social Council, under the relevant agenda items, and to distribute it to the Commission for Social Development at its thirty-seventh session.

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